# IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF IRAN FOR BREEDING CATTLE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate (VS Form 17-140) issued by a veterinarian so authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. All animals listed on the certificate which are not shipped shall be listed, with complete identification, on a separate document (VS Form 17-41) showing the reason not shipped. Additional information shall include:

# CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

- 1. The State of origin has been free of vesicular stomatitis during the last 12 months.
- 2. The animals originate from a certified brucellosis-free area, and a herd free from brucellosis.
- 3. The animals originate from a modified tuberculosis accredited area, and a herd free from tuberculosis.
- 4. The cattle originate from either:
  - a. A State where bluetongue has not been diagnosed (virus isolation) during the last 3 years; or
  - b. An area where bluetongue has not been diagnosed (virus isolation) within 100 km (62.5 miles) of the herd of origin within the last 3 years and are test negative (per item 1(b) tests).
- 5. The cattle originate from herds in which enzootic bovine leukosis (EBL) has not been clinically diagnosed during the last 12 months.
- 6. All female cattle were officially calfhood vaccinated for brucellosis (show quarter and year of vaccination).
- 7. Herd clinically free of paratuberculosis and no report of paratuberculosis cases observed within 100 km of the herd of origin within the last 3 years.
- 8. The animals were treated for ectoparasites with an approved pesticide prior to export isolation.
- 9. The animals were vaccinated for IBR not less than 20 days nor more than 90 days before export.
- 10. The animals have been in USDA approved export isolation facility for at least 7 days (show date of commencement and completion of isolation).

# TEST RESULTS

- 1. Within 30 days prior or during export isolation:
  - a. Negative brucellosis buffered brucella antigen (card) test for all bulls and for female cattle over 20 months of age.
  - b. Negative bluetongue CF test 1:5 (if required in item 4(b) certifications).
  - c. Negative agar gel immunodiffusion test for enzootic bovine leukosis (EBL).

d. Negative microscopic examination of genital swab for vibriosis and trichomoniasis.

# OTHER INFORMATION

- 1. The animals intended for export shall not be tested for tuberculosis within 60 days of embarkation. Iranian authorities will perform this test during quarantine after arrival.
- 2. Animals in USDA-approved isolation facilities are considered en route to Iran and need not be retested should the 30-day test period expire prior to embarkation.

# EMBARKATION STATEMENT

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

- 1. The name and address of the consignor.
- 2. The name and address of the consignee.
- 3. The number and species of animal to be shipped.
- 4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.